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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 4599

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, KU
SUBJ: ESTABLISHMENT OF USLOK

1. IN AN EFFORT TO MAKE SUCH PROGRESS AS APPEARS POSSIBLE, I INTEND -- UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED -- TO IDENTIFY FORMALLY TO THE GOK COL STANLEY COX AS CHIEF OF USLOK, THUS IMPLEMENTING THE FORMAL AGREEMENT AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF THAT OFFICE. THIS STEP APPEARS OVER-DUE AND NECESSARY IF WE ARE TO ACHIEVE SOME DEGREE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REGULARITY IN DEALING WITH OUR EXIST-ING MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

2. AT LEAST TWO ADDITIONAL ACTIONS APPEAR REQUIRED: (A) TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR CH USLOK HAVE NOT BEEN RE-CEIVED FOR EMBASSY REVIEW AND APPROVAL. THEY ARE NEED-ED ASAP. THE CH USLOK SHOULD BE NOMINATED AS THE SENIOR US MILITARY OFFICER IN KUWAIT, WHOM BOTH THE GOK AND I WILL HOLD RESPONSIBLE FOR MILITARY ADVICE AND THE PROPER EXECUTION OF AGREED US MILITARY ASSIST-ANCE EFFORTS. I EXPECT HIM TO BE GRANTED AUTHORITY COMMENSURATE WITH HIS RESPONSIBILITIES, INCLUDING FULL AUTHORITY TO ORDER THE IMMEDIATE DEPARTURE OF ANY DOD PERSONNEL FROM KUWAIT SHOULD THIS PROVE NEC-ESSARY IN HIS OWN OR MY JUDGEMENT; AND, (B) AUTHORITY
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TO FORMALLY ACTIVATE A MILITARY COMMAND IN KUWAIT DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE HELD LOCALLY. EXPLICIT ORDERS

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WOULD SEEM REQUIRED FROM COMPETENT MILITARY AUTHOR-
ITY.

3. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
AUTHORIZE ME TO MAKE THE NOMINATION SUGGESTED IN
PARA 1 AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TAKE
ACTIONS NECESSARY TO SUPPLY TERMS OF REFERENCE
FOR CH USLOK FOR EMBASSY REVIEW, AND AUTHORITY TO
ACTIVATE USLOK AS A MILITARY COMMAND, TOGETHER
WITH SUCH OTHER ACTIONS AS MAY BE REQUIRED TO COM-
PLETE THE FORMAL ESTABLISHMENT OF USLOK.

4. I RECOGNIZE THAT MANY PROBLEMS WILL REMAIN WITH
THE GOK SIDE OF OUR MILITARY RELATIONSHIP, BUT I
BELIEVE IT NECESSARY FOR US TO MOVE NOW IN SETTING
OUR OWN HOUSE IN ORDER. INCLUDED IS THE NEED TO TABLE
ASAP A USG DRAFT OF A SUPPORTING MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING FOR USLOK WHICH EMBASSY WOULD APP-
RECIATE RECEIVING AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME.
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